

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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**KATSUO KUMAGAI, ET AL.** )  
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Serial No. **Unknown** ) Art Unit: **1623**  
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Filed: **Herewith** ) Examiner: **G. Krishnan**  
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For: **THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR MASTITIS OF** )  
**LIVESTOCK AND METHOD FOR** )  
**TREATING MASTITIS USING THE** )  
**SAME AGENT** )

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**Preliminary Amendment**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicants herewith file a Preliminary Amendment for entry with the continuation application filed July 28, 2003. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

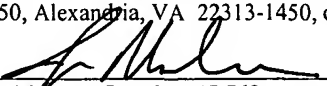
**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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